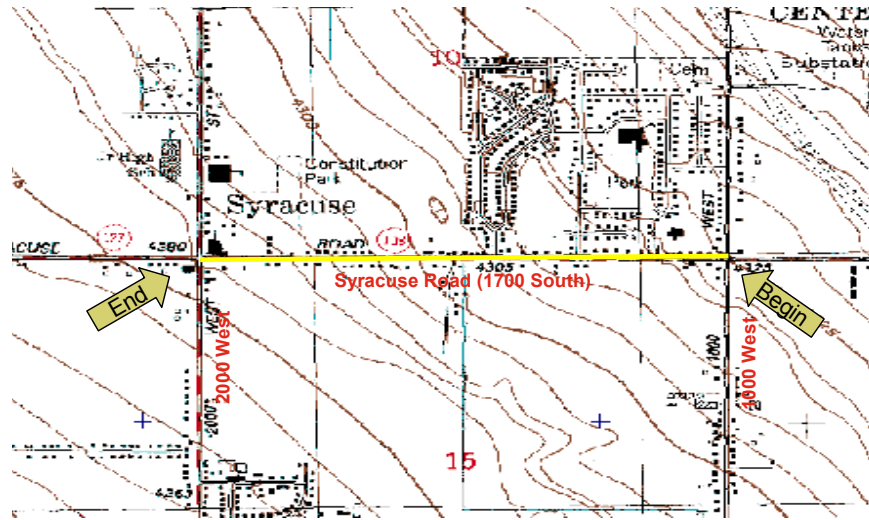


Syracuse Road; Project Background Handout 1000 West to 2000 West

November 2004

Project Area



Project Background

- Syracuse Road (SR-108, 1700 South, or Antelope Drive) is the primary east-west corridor in Syracuse
- Wasatch Front Regional Council's (WFRC) Long Range Plan recommends capacity improvements for this segment of Syracuse Road:
 - Classifies roadway as an Arterial
- Syracuse City's Master Transportation Plan recommends improvements:
 - Recommends roadway be upgraded to an Arterial
- Syracuse Road provides a connection of I-15 with Antelope Island in the Great Salt Lake

Project Goals and Objectives

- Proactive public involvement, providing opportunities for all stakeholders
- Develop an accurate Purpose and Need
- Develop alternatives that meet the Purpose and Need and include Context Sensitive Solutions
- Identify the affected environment
- Identify environmental consequences
- Develop a concise, accurate, and defensible EIS
- Corridor Preservation through purchase of right of way (if a build alternative is selected)

Public Meetings

Overview for Public Meeting No. 1 held in December 2003

- The meeting was attended by over 34 individuals with five individuals giving written comments
- Summarized comments are:
 - The waiting game is already getting old - would be very helpful to see preliminary plans
 - Improvements are long overdue, Syracuse has grown beyond the existing road capacity
 - Road should be widened to the south side

- Road needs to be widened to five lanes at least
- A signal or pedestrian overpass is needed at Alison Way
- Plan should include a bicycle path, parkstrips, and sidewalks
- Take out the houses - don't leave them without front yards
- Summer traffic increases with people going to Antelope Island
- An option to increase mass transit (busses) is also not realistic, as now when the buses stop all traffic behind it has to stop

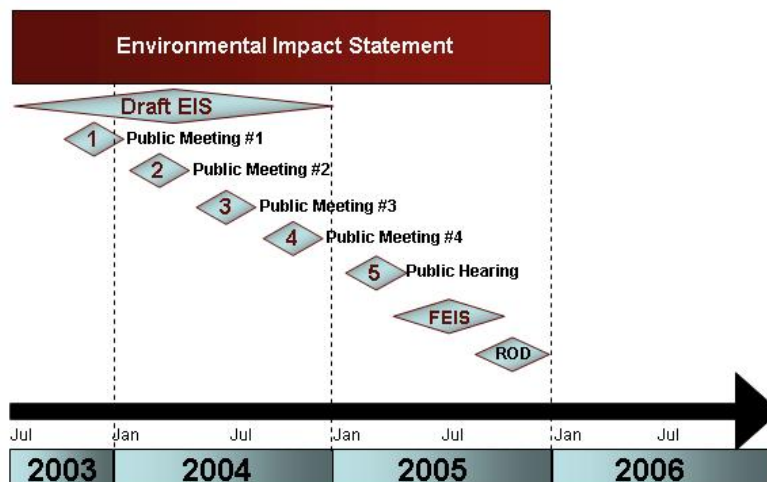
Overview for Public Meeting No. 2 held in March 2004

- The meeting was attended by over 60 individuals with 32 individuals giving written comments.
- Summarized comments:
 - Several individuals see the need for improvements including considerations for buses, bike lanes, and improved school crossings.
 - Many individuals gave opinions regarding the alternatives presented. Many did not like Alternatives E & F. There was not a consensus regarding the alternatives although many thought that Alternative C was the best.
 - Additional comments were received regarding Right of way acquisition, additional signal lights, and environmental factors

Overview for Public Meeting No. 3 held in July 2004

- The meeting was attended by over 88 individuals with 32 individuals giving written comments.
- Summarized comments:
 - Most individuals supported the elimination of Alternatives E and F (off-corridor alignments) from further study.
 - The majority of individuals preferred Alternative C for Syracuse Road.
 - Most individuals want a 14-ft Median/left turn lane, 12-ft travel lanes, 12-ft shoulders, 4-to 6-ft sidewalk with 3-to 5-ft parkstrip, and painted medians.

Syracuse Road EIS Schedule



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